

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE

OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST METHOW VALLEY AND TONASKET RANGER DISTRICTS ORDER NO. 06-17-04/09-17-1003

FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Pursuant to 16 USC §551 and 36 CFR § 261.50(a) the following acts are prohibited upon National Forest Lands in the Methow Valley and Tonasket Ranger District boundaries within the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. This Order is effective beginning August 4th, 2017, until October 31st, 2017, unless rescinded.

PROHIBITION:

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, campfire fire, or stove fire, including briquette fires. 36 CFR § 261.52(a).

<u>CLOSURE AREA:</u> This prohibition restriction applies to all National Forest System Lands within the Methow Valley and Tonasket Ranger Districts.

EXEMPTIONS:

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1. Persons maintaining a pressurized liquid gas stove, pressurized liquid gas fire, or an enclosed solid fuel fire that utilizes a wick to distribute a flame are exempt from this order.
- 2. Persons with a permit that specifically authorizes the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
- 3. Any federal, state, or local officer or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

This prohibition is in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 C.F.R. Part 261, Subpart A.

Executed in Wenatchee, WA this ___

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day of August

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Acting Forest Supervisor

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Violations of this prohibition is punishable as a Class B Misdemeanor, by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both (16 USC § 551; 18 USC § 3559 § 3571 and 3581).